# MEETING OF THE LAFAYETTE PARK AND RECREATION BOARD

## **April 6, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Lafayette Park and Recreation Board was called to order at 4:00pm, April 16, 2009 by the President, Mr. Denney. Board members present were Maurice Denney, Victor Klinker, and Dave Mecklenburg. Joseph Bumbleburg, Park Attorney, was also present. Staff members present were Ted Bumbleburg, Clay Finney, Claudine Laufman, Lindsey Huffman, John Cornell and Carol Suter.

Council Bob Downing was a guest for the meeting. Other guest included Kristen Crowley and Jamie Long from TV18.

#### PRELIMINARY BUSINESS:

The minutes of March 9, 2009 were approved upon motion by member Klinker, seconded by member Mecklenburg and unanimously passed.

General and non-reverting fund claims in the amount of \$61,125.73 were presented to the Board for approval. After review and upon motion by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Klinker, the general and non-reverting fund claims in the amount of \$61,125.73 were approved.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

The Chairman then called on Superintendent Bumbleburg for the Superintendent's report. The Superintendent reported that seasonal jobs have all been posted and that they are nearly full, but that he is taking additional applications for the purpose of creating a list in case there needs to be replacements hired. He next reported that the Loeb Advisory Committee has continued to meet. Attached to the Board Packet were the March 12, 2009 and March 26, 2009 minutes of that committee. The next meeting of that committee will be April 9, 2009. A public hearing has been set for April 29, 2009 at 7:00pm in the Rush Pavilion for the purpose of receiving public input. Superintendent Bumbleburg then reported the golf course reopening and indicated that the course was now after its third water incident cleaning up and was operating except for the driving range.

The Comprehensive Master Plan of the Park Department was presented to the Board in its final form and upon motion made, duly seconded and unanimously carried; the Comprehensive Master Plan was adopted.

#### AGENDA ITEM # 5

The Board then turned to a discussion of a previous business item having to do with smoking areas in the park. This was not an action item. The Superintendent reported that he and other members of the staff and area managers had been through the park system attempting to ascertain reasonable distances from facilities for prohibited areas. He has also spoke with the Mayor on this issue of smoking. He intends to make a further recommendation to the Board at the May meeting. Members of the Board each expressed their opinions with regard to the

smoking issue in the Parks. Discussion centered about smoking in sports facilities, smoking in parking lots and on a general ban.

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

There were no other communications from the Board. There were no written communications. Councilman Bob Downey spoke in the public communications area and advised the Board that it was his opinion that complete ban on smoking in the parks would be appropriate.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.
Maurice Denney, President
Joseph T. Bumbleburg, Secretary Pro Tem